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# HANDOVER OF TOWN MAYOR

## Prince visits Dorchester



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ABINGDON Town Council is set to officially announce a new mayor at their annual meeting next Wednesday.

Barring any late challenges, independent councillor Angela Lawrence will take the chains.

Cllr Lawrence has been the deputy mayor for the past 12 months. It is the town tradition that the deputy steps up to become mayor after a year.

She will take over from Samantha Bowring. Helen Pighills is expected to become the new deputy mayor.

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"I'm very much looking forward to it," said Cllr Lawrence. "As deputy mayor I've had a taster."

"It's 99 per cent certain as I was nominated and nobody else was. Everyone's talking about me being mayor and I'm assuming no-one's going to put anybody up, but I don't want to tempt fate."

"As deputy mayor, it's been really interesting because you know all of these community

events are going on, but unless you're actually involved, you don't appreciate how much time people actually give in voluntary work."

"Samantha worked very hard and has done very well. She was thrown in without being deputy mayor, which is quite hard, but she's done a good job."

Cllr Bowring became mayor on May 8 last year, and said that she had enjoyed her year in the position.

"It's been an absolute honour," she said. "It's been fantastic meeting so many community groups and finding out what they do."

"I've met so many people I've wanted to celebrate, and as mayor I've got to see what's going on and meet these people."

"Angela will make a lovely mayor, she's got real charm and charisma and has been in Abingdon for a very long time."

"She's been involved in so many different community projects and helped so many people, and she will be very popular. I'm sure she'll find it a lot easier than I did!"

Sandy Lovatt is expected to continue in his role as town council leader at Wednesday's meeting, and said that he thought Cllr Lawrence "would be a good mayor for Abingdon".



• (left) Angela Lawrence and (right) Samantha Bowring

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# New head of rugby club has big plans



• Mike Stevens is the new CEO at London Welsh (Picture courtesy of London Welsh)

LONDON Welsh's new chief executive officer is promising to improve the matchday experience at the Kassam Stadium and ensure the club becomes an established Oxfordshire club.

Mike Stevens, 44, from Abingdon, spent seven years at Aviva Premiership club Leicester Tigers as commercial manager, and will take up the position at

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the rugby club on May 12.

The Exiles are currently vying for a return to the top-flight of English rugby and face Leeds Carnegie in the first leg of the Greene King IPA Championship semi-finals on May 11.

While returning to the Premiership is the ideal situation, Mr Stevens says the club is prepared to be a Championship club next season.

He said: "We have plans in place for both eventualities.

"We desperately want to be in the Premiership, but also from a commercial perspective we are ready for the eventuality that it

is Championship.

"Going into the play-off there are four very good teams that are vying for one spot so there will be one happy team and three unhappy teams, we are ready for both."

Welsh welcome Leeds to the Kassam for the second semi-final on May 18. Under 16s can watch for £1.

Mr Stevens added: "A key area for me in the summer period is to work on the matchday product with the businesses and people of Oxfordshire."

It was confirmed last month that the Exiles would play at the Kassam for three more years and Mr Stevens wants to build on the club's ground-work.

"If I'm being honest, it's been hit and miss," he said.

"We've had high successes with crowds of 10,000 against London Wasps two years ago so we know the potential is there."

"The key part is making sure people enjoy their experience to come and watch professional rugby and the association then of London Welsh with Oxfordshire."

## News Bites

### Milestone

OXFORD: The 60th anniversary of Sir Roger Bannister's sub four-minute mile at Oxford's Iffley Road Track will be marked next Tuesday.

Sir Roger became the first man to run a mile in under four minutes on May 6, 1954, completing the distance in a time of 3:59.4.

A re-staging of the original athletics meeting was held for the 50th anniversary in 2004, but Oxford University Sport has said they will not be hosting a public event for the 60th anniversary.

### Strike dates

OXON: Firefighters in Oxfordshire will strike with the Fire Brigades Union (FBU) this weekend.

The strikes are between midday and 5pm tomorrow, for 12 hours on Saturday from 2pm and from 10am to 3pm on Sunday.

They are over a dispute with government about proposed pension reforms.

Oxfordshire County Council said that every 999 call received will be responded to, with a mixture of non-striking and on-call staff.

If a serious incident occurs while crew members are on strike, then it has been agreed they would return to work if required.

Chief fire officer David Etheridge said: "I want to reassure Oxfordshire's public that every emergency call made to the Fire and Rescue Service during scheduled strike periods will be responded to."

Rodney Rose, deputy leader of the county council, said: "There is little we can do in Oxfordshire to help resolve this dispute."

### River jump

ABINGDON: A 20-year-old man from Oxford has been detained under the Mental Health Act after being rescued by police from the Thames in Abingdon on Monday.

Police were called to Abingdon Bridge at 9am to a man who jumped from the bridge and was swimming in the river.

He was thrown a line by officers and taken to hospital as a precaution, but did not suffer any serious injuries.

Bridge Street was closed for around 15 minutes while the incident was ongoing.

## Man charged after attack

A 39-YEAR-OLD man from Milton-under-Wychwood has been charged following a serious assault in Witney that left a man in hospital with serious injuries.

The assault took place at The Red Lion Hotel, in Corn Street, at 12.34am on Sunday morning.

The fight left the victim, aged in his early 20s, with serious injuries to his head and body. He is currently in a

serious but stable condition at the John Radcliffe Hospital.

Police arrested the suspect close to the scene, and he was later charged with grievous bodily harm with intent before appearing at Banbury Magistrates' Court last Monday.

Thames Valley Police Det Sgt Jim Holmes thanked the public for their help following a police appeal for information over the weekend.

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# One of world's toughest events dubbed 'torture'

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PARENTS have raised almost £1,200 for an Abingdon special needs school after completing the Tough Mudder endurance event on Saturday.

Karen and Mark Sharman, from Drayton, completed the 12 mile obstacle course near Henley to raise money for the Kingfisher School, on Radley Road.

They were joined by fellow Kingfisher School dad Simon Hicks, and family members Jason Strong, Richard Goodwin and Samantha Goodwin for Saturday's event.

The team took four and a half hours to finish the gruelling course, which sees participants plunged into icy water, zapped with electric shocks and get covered in mud.

"It was horrendous," said Karen. "It was full on and one of the hardest things I've ever done, and at the time it was just like torture."

"I hadn't been well and didn't train as much as I'd wanted to, and the last four miles I could barely get a breath in, and at one point I was slurring my words."

"But having said that, and as awful as it was, Mark and I will be signing up again next year."

The pair decided to fundraise for the Kingfisher School as their five-year-old son Arthur, who has autism, started there last year.

Money raised will be put



• (from left) Mark Sharman, Karen Sharman and Simon Hicks after completing the course on Saturday

towards a multi-media theatre, which gives children with special needs the chance to experience a mix of light and sound in a purpose-built environment.

"We'd had a few drinks when we decided to sign up," Karen added. "We were with my brother, and thought we could do it because one of our team members had

completed the course before. "We signed up to do it last summer, and subsequently our son got a place at Kingfisher School so we thought we'd raise some

money for his school." Anyone who wishes to donate can do so at <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/karenand-marksharman>.

## News Bites

### Museum help

ABINGDON: Ashmolean Museum is helping students by giving them a taste of working life.

Young people studying Public Services at Abingdon and Witney College have been trained in security procedures by the Ashmolean's head of security Stuart Baker.

Mr Baker said: "We hope the collaboration will equip the security staff of tomorrow with the skills they need to make a great start in their working lives."

### Air display

ABINGDON: Planes and helicopters will be flying over Abingdon for the town's 15th Air and Country Show this weekend.

An RAF Spitfire, Lynx AH7 Helicopter and Hurricane Mark 1 will be among the displays.

Aircraft and vintage vehicles will also be featured at the show on Sunday from 10.30am at Abingdon Airfield in Dalton Barracks.

### African visit

ABINGDON: An Abingdon School welcomed three Ugandan students yesterday for a week-long stay.

Our Lady's Abingdon, in Radley Road, organised the visit as part of their links with Maryhill School in Umbara, south-western Uganda.

Amma Okeke from Maryhill School said: "This visit promises to be a rewarding educational and cultural experience for our visitors."

## Hydro-power project working on share offer

THE group behind a project to create power from the Thames in Abingdon said a share offer could be made by the autumn.

The share offer - by Abingdon Hydro - which will allow residents to pay for shares in the project in exchange for a percentage of the revenue.

Once the finances are in place, it is expected that work will begin on installing two Archimedes screws close to the weir in the spring of 2015.

Richard Riggs, a founding member of Abingdon Hydro, said: "There is a lot to do first but it can be done, with offer

documents, marketing and getting underwriting finance and administration in place.

"It will take several months to install, but we would expect it to be commissioned in 2015, as we don't want a long gap between investing and earning."

"There will probably be a fur-

ther period of learning how to run it efficiently and work with the Environment Agency."

It had been hoped previously that a share offer would already have been in place, with construction due to begin this summer, but was delayed due to this winter's floods.

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# Voters head to polls

CANDIDATES for this month's district council and European elections have been announced.

A total of 25 councillors for Oxford City Council, 17 for West Oxfordshire District Council (WODC) and 16 for Cherwell District Council (CDC) will be elected on May 22.

Voters will also choose the 10 Members of European Parliament from a prospective 119 candidates to represent South East England on the same day.

Numerous parish councils across Oxfordshire will also be staging elections, including Burford, Brize Norton and Wroxton.

WODC has 66 candidates vying for election, while CDC will see 69 hoping to win a seat.

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Sue Smith, returning officer for Cherwell District Council, said: "The deadline has closed for nominations and voters now have the chance to see who has put themselves forward to be their district councillor."

"Approximately one third of Cherwell seats are up for election, so the results could have a bearing on the future make-up of the authority."

"However if residents want to have their say, they need to ensure their details have been included on the electoral register before the May 6 deadline, otherwise they could miss out."

Oxford City Council leader

Bob Price is up for election in the Hinksey Park ward, and is campaigning for Labour in the European elections.

He said: "Elections for the European Parliament have historically had pretty low voter turn outs, but European legislation has made some big differences to our lives and will continue to do so."

"It is up to voters across the 20 nations of the EU to ensure that the parliament creates a framework for job creation, for vigorously tackling the causes and effects of climate change, and promoting healthy and active lives."

Catherine Bearder, current Liberal Democrat MEP for South East England, is standing for re-election.

She said: "It is vital people in Oxfordshire vote in the European elections this May."

"An estimated 36,000 jobs in Oxfordshire depend on our continued membership with the EU - if people want to protect jobs and ensure continued investment in the county, they need to vote."

"Democracy is terribly vulnerable. You have to vote, or someone else will make the decisions for you."

• Scenes from the last city council elections in 2012



## Flood channel given £12million fund boost

THE Thames Regional Flood and Coast Committee is set to put aside £12million to help fund the Western Conveyance Channel in Oxford.

At a meeting of the committee last Friday, members agreed to put the money aside for the project, which would see a flood channel built between Seacourt Stream and Sandford Lock.

It is hoped that the channel would take water around the city, and reduce the impact that flooding has on Oxford.

Cllr Rodney Rose, deputy leader of Oxfordshire County Council and a member of the committee, is pleased that the scheme has reached its next step.

He said: "If this meeting hadn't gone right, this scheme would have been dead in the water, if you can put it that way."

"I think the Western Conveyance is vital. We can't put the economy of Oxfordshire and the city of Oxford at risk every time it decides to rain, which seems to be happening more often."

Peter Rawcliffe, chairman of the Oxford Flood Alliance, said: "There's still a long way to go to get all the funding together, but it's a good point to start from and we're very pleased."

"Unless anybody thinks that Oxford should continue to flood, it's absolutely essential there is a scheme like this."

## News Bites

### Foodbank rise

OXON: Another 1,400 people in Oxfordshire turned to food banks for help last year, new figures have shown.

The increase of 51 per cent was recorded by foodbank charity The Trussell Trust.

It calculated from 2013 to 2014 a total of 4,353 people used foodbanks in Oxfordshire - up by 1,474 people from 2012 to 2013.

In the South East there was a 103 per cent rise, according to the figures released last week.

## News Bites

### Helping hand

ACROSS Oxfordshire 444 troubled families have been helped get their lives on track, the Government has claimed.

Prime Minister David Cameron praised the work of the Department for Communities and Local Government for success in their Troubled Families programme.

Figures revealed today show across the county 444 families have been helped - 24 per cent of the number of troubled families identified in the county.

The programme launched in 2012.

The statistics are based on truanting children staying in school for three consecutive terms, youth crime and anti-social behaviour falling, or an adult holding a job down for more than three months.

Mr Cameron said: "Getting some of our country's most troubled families' lives back on track is a key part of our long-term plan - it saves the taxpayer money, gives people the chance to get on in life and secures a better future for these families, their communities and for our country."

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# Prince Edward visits the county

HUNDREDS of schoolchildren braved the wet weather as the Earl and Countess of Wessex opened a new arts building at King Alfred's Academy, Wantage, last Friday.

Prince Edward, the Queen's youngest son, and wife Sophie, who was wearing a blue dress, arrived at the school in a black Range Rover, greeted by children waving Union Jack flags.

The Earl and Countess opened the new £730,000 creative arts building on the school's central Portway Site, before heading to Wantage Market Place to meet local residents.

King Alfred's headteacher Simon Spiers said: "We were absolutely delighted to welcome their Royal Highnesses.

"We feel very proud of the students and the staff and we have really enjoyed their presence.

"They have been really kind to the students they have met and have left with great thanks.

"We are very excited now that the students will be able to use this great facility."

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The royal couple took time to speak to students at the school.

Oliver Grimes, 14, said: "It was very exciting, it was the first time I have met anyone from the Royal family.

"They asked me what sports we do here and I said 'football'."

The Countess also spoke to students who were working on their GCSE art projects.

Zack Colliass, 16, spoke to the Countess about his campaign poster on child soldiers in Burma.

He said: "She was very interested and she saw it as an important matter that is happening now."

Amazon Gilpin, 16, also met the Countess and added: "I found her to be very interested in my work and my interpretation of my book cover design.

"She made me feel very much at ease when I was talking to her."

A posy of flowers and a drawing of the King Alfred's Old School Building in Portway were presented to the couple by Levi Morris and Greg Birks.

Greg, 18, said: "I felt very honoured, having come up through King Alfred's, to be chosen to present the Earl of Wessex with his gift.

"He was open and when I spoke to him about being involved in the last production of 'Miss Saigon' I could tell he was interested and could share my passion."

The couple also visited Dorchester Abbey to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust, and enjoyed lunch at the Council of Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Association at Edward Brooks Barracks, Cholswell Road, Abingdon.

They were also due to visit Caterham F1, Leafield Technical Centre, Langley, but were forced to cancel as their helicopter was unable to take off in the wet weather. It is hoped it will be rescheduled.

• Clockwise: Prince Edward chats with students at the new creative arts building; The Countess speaks to Zack Colliass about his art project; (from left to right) Jake Martin, Ethan McIntosh, Oliver Grimes, John Tilly (back right) and Charlie Harrison spoke to the Royal couple



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**Richard Doney, 31, Kidlington, council worker**



"It seems a reasonable idea. The proposed plans look alright to me. My views are not terribly strong on it, but it clearly needs doing."

**Silva Jay, 47, Oxford, hotel manager**



"It can bring more people here. It is a good idea. There are not that many shops at the moment."

**Sukhdeep Punni, 33, Abingdon, unemployed**



"It will be nice to make it bigger, but we don't really need a new cinema. It is good at the moment, I think it is fine the way it is."



MAJOR plans to redevelop the Westgate Shopping Centre have been welcomed with open arms by local residents.

More than 500 people visited the Westgate Oxford Alliance's public consultation, which was held in the shopping centre, on Queen Street, until yesterday.

The Westgate Oxford Alliance, a joint venture between the Crown Estate and Land Securities, has revealed detailed designs for the £500million redevelopment.

Earlier this year, Oxford City Council's West Area Planning Committee granted planning permission for outline plans to redevelop the centre with shops, restaurants, cafes and a cinema.

Department store John Lewis is already secured as part of the development and will overlook Castle Mill Stream.

"The reaction has been really good," said Claire Reynolds, development marketing manager for the Westgate Oxford Alliance.

"We have had lots of feedback.

"It is nice for people to see the buildings now."

The shopping centre will be expanded into four different buildings, set in a mix of covered streets, arcades, lanes and squares.

Members of the public will be able to access the centre from all directions with planners putting 11 different entrances in place.

There will also be three public squares, including Bonn Square, with Middle Square and South Square situated within the development.

An underground car park, with over 1,000 spaces, will also be installed at the south of the shopping centre.

This will replace the current multi-storey car park which will be demolished in place of two new buildings.

The revamp also includes 122 apartments off Abbey Place.

Ms Reynolds added: "We have considered where people can walk to and from in parts of Oxford."

"There are north, south, east and west connecting part so it feels very much part of the city."

"The squares will run lots of public

**By Jack Johnson**

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events and we will open them to the general public who can use them to run their events for free.

"We are trying to show there is life, whether that is retail, the library, or the castle."

The Alliance is also thinking of building a spire at the Queen Street entrance.

"One thing that is up for debate, at the moment, is we have the potential to build a spire," Ms Reynolds added.

"Oxford is famous for its dreaming spires."

"Should Westgate have a spire or should we do something that is more of a modern interpretation of a spire?"

Feedback to the plans was positive on the streets of Oxford.

Monia Lamzini, 26, from Oxford, said: "I think it will give us more options."

"It will bring in business as well."

"There are not many clothes shops. I don't shop here very often."

Georgia Buckingham, 52, from Oxford, echoed these thoughts.

"There are not many shops so I don't often use it," she said.

"I usually go to Reading to shop. More choice is better."

Peter Withers, 37, from Abingdon, feels it will help attract more tourists to the city.

"It needs something for the visitors. It needs to attract more people," he said.

"The universities attract people, but Westgate looks dated."

"It is not very appealing compared to the rest of the city."

Following a review of the feedback a further exhibition is planned for June to show the progression of the designs.

The Alliance hopes to submit an application after the second consultation and would expect a decision by December.

Work would begin at the beginning of 2015, with the development earmarked to open in Autumn 2017.

## News Bites

### Best foot forward

OXFORD: An ambassador of Oxford-based charity SpecialEffect is running 100 miles on Saturday.

Andy Nuttall is attempting to complete the Thames Path 100 in under a day. Mr Nuttall has so far raised £519,000 for the charity, which uses technology to enhance the quality of life of people with disabilities.

## Girl in hospital after car accident

A FOUR-YEAR-OLD girl hit by a car while cycling on a pavement in Cowley was left seriously injured last Saturday.

The collision in Between Towns Road happened at 10.50am on April 26.

The girl was hit by a red Hyundai crossing the pavement as it pulled out a car park onto the road, Thames Valley Police say.

She was taken by air ambulance to the John Radcliffe Hospital in

Headington where she is being treated for serious injuries.

The male driver was not hurt.

The road was partially shut for two hours while police carried out a forensic investigation of the scene.

Thames Valley Police were not able to give an update on whether anyone had been charged when contacted.

Police are appealing for witnesses to call 101.

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## News Bites

## Test your IQ

COWLEY: Brainiacs could join high IQ society Mensa if they make the grade in a test next month.

Mensa are holding an IQ test session for residents at St Gregory the Great Catholic School in Cricket Road on Saturday, June 21.

Everyone who scores in the top two per cent of the population will be invited to join the society.

## Man found

OXFORD: A man who went missing from the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford on Saturday afternoon was found safe and well the following day.

Andrew Schmid, 35, had gone to the hospital seeking treatment for a head injury, but left at around 4.50pm before receiving any help.

Thames Valley Police announced they had found Mr Schmid at 10.37pm on Sunday evening, and thanked the public for their help in tracing him.

## Bike events

OXFORD: Cyclists in Oxford can get their bike marked at free bike registration events at St Aldate's police station, starting from today.

It will run from 11.30am to 1.30pm today, May 8 and May 15.

# Fund launched to help fix potholes

By Jack Johnson

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PRIME Minister David Cameron was in Oxfordshire last week to launch the bidding process for a £168million pothole fund.

Oxfordshire County Council is applying for more than £5m to repair the county's roads.

Mr Cameron met a team of highways workers in Long Wittenham to see the scale of the pothole problem.

County council leader Ian Hudspeth and cabinet member for transport David Nimmo Smith also joined the Prime Minister in South Oxfordshire.

Mr Cameron gained an insight into the process of fixing potholes from the council's contractor Skanska.

The county council, which looks after 2,800 miles of road and fixed more than 36,000 potholes in the last year, will be preparing a bid to cope with increased issues.

Cllr Nimmo Smith said: "I was pleased to be able to spend some time with the Prime Minister and for him to be able to see first-hand the problems we have



• David Cameron with roads maintenance manager Ian McLellan in Long Wittenham last Thursday

here in Oxfordshire.

"The government's latest funding announcement is very welcome, and we will certainly be submitting a bid in order to boost our efforts."

Local authorities have until May 22 to apply for money.

Transport Secretary Patrick

McLoughlin added: "Part of this government's long term plan is investing in our roads.

"Potholes are a menace for all road users which is why this extra funding is provided in addition to the £10billion already committed for councils for road maintenance.

"I want councils to rise to the challenge and to reward councils who come up with new and better ways of making repairs quickly and effectively."

The 2014 Budget announced £200m for a pothole fund, of which £168m is now available to local highway authorities.

## City council agrees to new flood schemes

OXFORD City Council has agreed to back a number of support schemes for households and businesses affected by flooding over the winter.

Last Wednesday's City Executive Board meeting saw councillors resolve to agree a financial support scheme.

Affected businesses will be offered a three-month relief in their rates, as well as covering clean-up costs.

Homeowners subjected to flooding will also be offered a council tax discount, as well as being eligible to claim for up to £5,000 available in repair and renewal grants.

So far, 60 letters have been sent to premises that were directly affected by flooding, while more will be sent to properties that were indirectly affected.

Around £4m has been set aside by government nationally for council tax exemptions, while £10m will be used for the business support scheme.

The government has also announced that almost £35,000 will be made available to Oxford City Council through the severe weather payment, to be used for costs such as road repair.

City council leader Bob Price told the Oxfordshire Guardian last week that "it seems entirely right" that those affected by flooding should get compensation.



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## News Bites

### Burglar jailed

SARSDEN: A burglar who stole tools from a site in Sarsden, near Chipping Norton, has been sentenced to 14 weeks in prison.

Rikki Newby, 30, of Crewkerne, Somerset, pleaded guilty at Banbury Magistrates' Court last Thursday to forcing entry to Lower Buildings in Sarsden and stealing a number of tools.

### Man charged

BICESTER: Police have charged a 22-year-old man after two schoolchildren were robbed of their mobile phones in Bicester last Tuesday.

The man, from Barton, Oxford, is alleged to have stolen the phone of the first victim in the early hours of April 25 on Buckingham Road, before robbing the second victim in a separate offence at 8.35am on Churchill Road.

### Votes are in

NORTH HINKSEY: Residents voted for their new councillors at a North Hinksey Parish Council by-election last week.

Chris Church, of Crabtree Road, Oxford, Emily Smith, of Sycamore Road, Botley, and Voirrey Carr, of Hurst Rise Road in Cumnor Hill, were elected to the vacant parish council positions.

# 'Walking bus' helps promote road safety

PARENTS and pupils at a Witney school formed a 'walking bus' yesterday morning, to emphasise the dangers of parking near school premises.

The 'walking bus' saw children, parents and teachers walk to Witney Community School, on Hailey Road, from the nearby Londis store to promote the new School Travel and Road Safety (STARS) scheme.

Ninety-nine children in Oxfordshire have been killed or seriously injured in the past 10 years, and STARS was set up after teachers noticed potentially dangerous parking on a nearby road.

Parents are now being encouraged not to drive into the new 'walking zone', but park a few minutes away and complete the journey on foot.

Jill Meyer-Young, headteacher at the school, said: "I am proud of the way the children worked to educate their parents."

"I hope in future the walking zone will become an established area, so local residents will not be blocked in their houses and pupils will all have some fresh air and exercise before school."

By Adam Flinn

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Yesterday's 'walking bus' event was supported by Thames Valley Police, firefighters and road safety officers from Oxfordshire County Council.

Mick Clarke, road safety manager for the county's Fire and Rescue Service, said: "It's crucial that people of all ages are aware of the potential dangers that the road can bring."

"Everybody involved in the 'walking bus' event will now be better educated about being safe when getting to school, and that is a hugely positive thing."

PCSO Fiona Holt added: "I am really proud of the STARS team. I personally witnessed their enthusiasm and dedication to improving the safety of the children at the school earlier this week."

"I would like to encourage the STARS team to continue to highlight the dangers of the road to both pupils and parents."

"I am hoping to encourage other local schools to consider using the STARS programme."

## Classic cars descend on Abingdon garage

MORE than 30 vintage MGs made the journey from Abingdon to the Cotswolds last Sunday, as part of the MG Car Club's Drive It Day.

A fleet of historic motors set

off from Lodge Hill Garage at 9am, as they made their way through Oxfordshire to the Cotswold Motoring Museum in Bourton-on-the-Water.

The garage also hosted over

40 vintage cars during the day, and raised more than £500 for the Air Transport Auxiliary Fund in the process.

This was the fourth year that Lodge Hill had hosted the classic cars, which also saw refreshments and live music from the Abingdon Swingtime Band.

Nigel Murrin, co-director of Lodge Hill Garage, said: "It went extremely well, everyone thoroughly enjoyed it."

"The band were here playing '40s and '50s music, and there were actually people dancing in the showroom, jiving and jitterbugging and all sorts of stuff."

"It was a very good day, and we raised quite a lot of money for the Air Transport Auxiliary Fund, which is why we do it every year."

• A range of historic marques were on display at Lodge Hill Garage last Sunday



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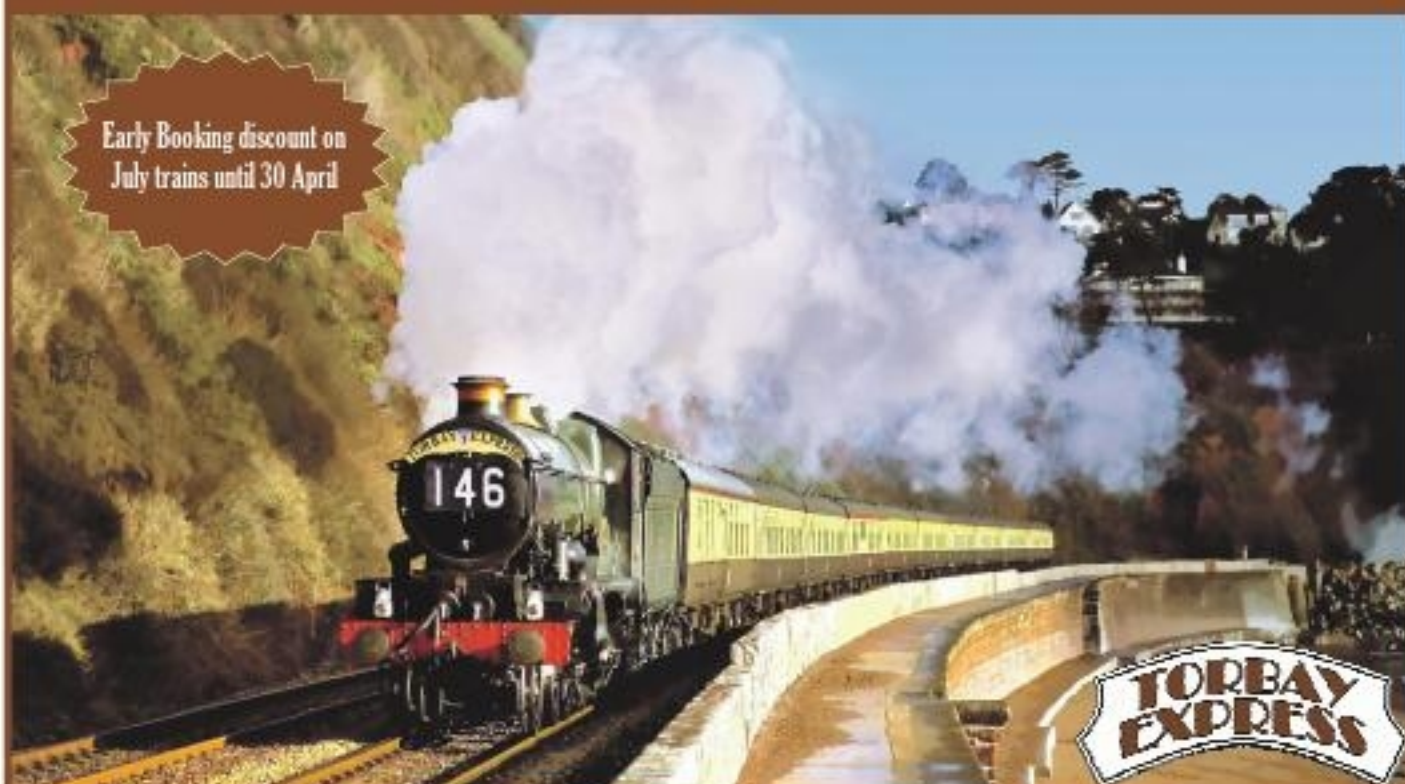
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## Woman fined for dishonesty after claiming over £20,000

A 59-YEAR-OLD woman from Oxford, who pleaded guilty to benefit fraud of more than £20,000, was fined £500 by magistrates last Thursday.

Amanda Kingston, of Pennywell Drive, was fined for three charges of dishonestly obtaining Jobseekers Allowance, Employment and Support Allowance and Council Tax Benefit between November 2009 and June 2013.

She stole a total of £20,113 during that time, and has had to pay back the overpaid benefit to Oxford City Council and the Department for Work and Pensions.

The first charge was for dishonestly failing to notify a change in circumstances relating to her Jobseekers Allowance.

A second was for dishonestly making a false statement in relation to her Employment and Support Allowance, while the third was for failing to notify of a change of circumstance relating to her Council Tax Benefit.

Kingston was also ordered to pay costs of £85 and a victim surcharge of £50.

Anyone who has concerns that a person is falsely claiming benefits is asked to contact the city council benefit fraud line on 01865 252222.

# Scout leader wins citizen of the year

By Adam Flinn

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A SCOUT leader who helped to raise £100,000 for his group's headquarters expansion has been named Witney Citizen of the Year.

Andrew Stokes, leader of the Witney Buttercross scout group, was nominated by the town's mayor Peter Dorward and South Ward councillor Chrissie Curry for his leadership, commitment and enthusiasm.

He was presented with his award by the mayor at a civic reception last Friday.

Scouts district commissioner Chris Brooker said of Andrew's achievement: "Andrew has been an inspirational leader for Witney Buttercross, and is now leader of the group he joined as a young boy."

"During his tenure, he has seized every opportunity to promote scouting, regularly engaging with both local businesses and the media to promote the group's activities and to seek out funding opportunities."

The other winners included 11-year-old Charlie Dore, who won the first ever Witney Young Citizen of the Year award.

Charlie, who attends Witney Community Primary School, was chosen for the award after

helping to care for his mother and mentoring younger children at school.

He is also a member of the West Oxfordshire Hub's Young Carers Group, with fellow mem-

bers praising him for his compassionate nature.

Meanwhile, Lyn Jones was presented with the Certificate of Outstanding Merit, following her efforts to transform a strip of land in Burwell Estate from a rubbish-strewn area into a community garden.

The garden now comprises

of a pond, plants, and bird and hedgehog boxes.

Cllr Dorward, who presented the awards, said: "This is the nicest possible way to round off my year as mayor. It is gratifying to have the opportunity to sing the praises of these very extraordinary people that live right here in our town."



• (From left to right) Andrew Stokes, Mayor Peter Dorward, Charlie Dore and Lyn Jones

## News Bites

### Rolex watch stolen in sale

BURFORD: Police are appealing for witnesses after a Rolex watch was stolen during a private sale within a tea shop on Sheep Street at 2pm on March 12.

A 28-year-old man from Witney was arrested on the same day on suspicion of theft, and officers are now asking for anyone who witnessed the incident to come forward.

PC James Postans said: "I am keen to speak to anyone that witnessed the offender being chased down the High Street towards River Windrush."

Call 101 with information.

### Palace theft

WOODSTOCK: A 30-YEAR-OLD man has been charged after cash was stolen from the Pleasure Garden Café at Blenheim Palace overnight between April 18 and 19.

The man, of no fixed abode, was arrested and charged last Saturday for one count of burglary other than a dwelling.

Some of the cash was recovered, but an unknown quantity is understood to have been already spent by the suspect.

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## Dog 'suffered a great deal'

A FEMALE dog which was found abandoned in Oxford with two tumours was been put to sleep following veterinary advice last week.

The corgi cross, named Lara by RSPCA staff, was found tied to railings along a footpath between Cowley Road and Cricket Road by a young girl at 5pm last Wednesday.

Lara, believed to be aged around 10 to 12-years-old, was taken to the girl's house, where two large lumps were discovered on her.

A vet found that Lara was suffering from two ruptured mammary tumours, and after being taken to an RSPCA centre for care, it was advised that she was put to sleep to end her suffering.

RSPCA inspector Andy Eddy said: "Tumours this size would have been incredibly painful for poor Lara - she must have been suffering a great deal."

The RSPCA is asking for anyone with information to call them on 0300 123 8018.



# Preaching to the masses in Oxford

A FORMER football hooligan who swapped prison for preaching is now spreading the word of the Lord around Oxford.

By Jack Johnson

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Dougie March, 58, of Dene Road, Headington, moved to the city earlier this month, and has shared the story of how God has saved his life with the Oxfordshire Guardian.

Mr March, who grew up in Byker, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, has spent five years inside at seven different prisons.

Once in a gang of football hooligans called the Bigg Market Bender Squad, who followed Newcastle United, Mr March was also involved in nightclub and prison fights.

However, a chance encounter with two Christians in February 1986 turned his life around and he has since travelled to 40 different countries, spreading the word of God.

Mr March even claims to have brought a man back from the dead while in Kampala, Uganda.

He said: "People were saying to me that I was going to end up dead or end up killing someone, so I would definitely say that God saved my life."

"My life was spiralling out of

control and everybody knew me as a crazy guy and always talking fighting."

"Everyone was telling me I had to change and I just said a prayer: 'God, if you're really there, I want to change, but I don't know how to change.'"

The 58-year-old's life was transformed on February 18, 1986, when he heard the Gospel message, and committed his life to Jesus.

Since then, Mr March has preached on the streets of Newcastle to the worn-torn streets of Croatia.

He added: "I wanted to become a Christian, commit my life to Jesus."

"I wanted his power to come into my life and to change me so I can be a useful member of society and not someone who is in and out of prison and always taking drugs and fighting."

Mr March attends the Oxford Bible Church, Banbury Road, and the Rivers of Life Church, Marston Road, and preaches on the city's streets three or four times a week.



• Dougie March preaching at Carfax earlier this week (Picture by Jack Johnson)

## Mayor wears clothes back to front to mark anniversary

PUTTING on your clothes inside out is normally something you would do by accident, but that wasn't the case last Thursday.

The Lord Mayor of Oxford, Dee Sinclair, was one of many to take part in the first Fashion Revolution Day.

Cllr Sinclair joined members of the public in wearing an item of clothing inside out.

It was to mark a year since 1,133 people were killed when the Rana Plaza factory collapsed in Dhaka, Bangladesh, on April 24, 2013.

"It helps remind us to check where our clothes come from and who makes them," said Cllr Sinclair.

"The dress I wore is made of bamboo and organic cotton and the label says 'wear what the world can afford'."

"I think that is a great message for us all to remember when choosing our clothes."

Rachel Wilshaw, ethical trade manager at Oxfam, joined Cllr Sinclair at Oxford Town Hall, St Aldates.

She added: "Fashion Revolution Day is a welcome attempt to persuade more people to take an interest in how their clothes are produced."

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## Shaw's show

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The show also features Jamie Foreman, Rula Lenska and Rachel Barry, and follows the story of Professor Higgins, who attempts to transform the manners of Cockney flower girl Eliza Doolittle.

It starts at the Oxford Playhouse, on Beaumont Street, on Tuesday.

## Ian Anderson

PROG rock legend Ian Anderson performs his upcoming album 'Folk-Prog-Metal' at the New Theatre, on George Street, this Sunday.

Ian is best known for his work with Jethro Tull, and this weekend's show will see the new album receive one of its debut performances in the UK.

## School theatre

THE National Theatre Connections Festival comes to the North Wall Arts Centre, on South Parade, this weekend, with a number of different shows taking place at the venue.

Eight local schools and youth theatre groups will be involved in the weekend, covering a range of different genres with their shows.

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# Promoting a new album that nearly didn't happen



AHEAD of their new album being released later this month, Echo and the Bunnymen perform at Oxford's O2 Academy, on Cowley Road, next weekend.

'Meteorites' is scheduled for release on May 26, written by frontman Ian McCulloch and performed alongside fellow original band member Will Sergeant.

But it almost never happened, after Ian decided to take a break last year with his relationship with Will virtually grounding to a halt.

While holed up in his Liverpool flat, Ian began writing music on a bass guitar, a process which helped him enormously.

"Straight away I felt better for it," said Ian. "I had been thinking of taking five years off on an island, but suddenly all these songs came from nowhere."

"It was really exciting and fresh, and this record is about my personal journey, my rebirth, even if it is a Bunnymen record."

"It's more edgy than anything I've ever done. I'm dealing with something on this record I didn't want to deal with for a long time."

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Will was absent for the first recording sessions of 'Meteorites', but a playback of several tracks at record producer Youth's house convinced him to contribute guitar.

Ian added: "When I heard the stuff Will did, I thought 'that's it, that's what he does'."

"It has come from his soul as well, and he's expressing himself and you can hear it. A lot of the guitar lines were mine, but you can hear Will doing his thing, and it sounds like Echo and the Bunnymen."

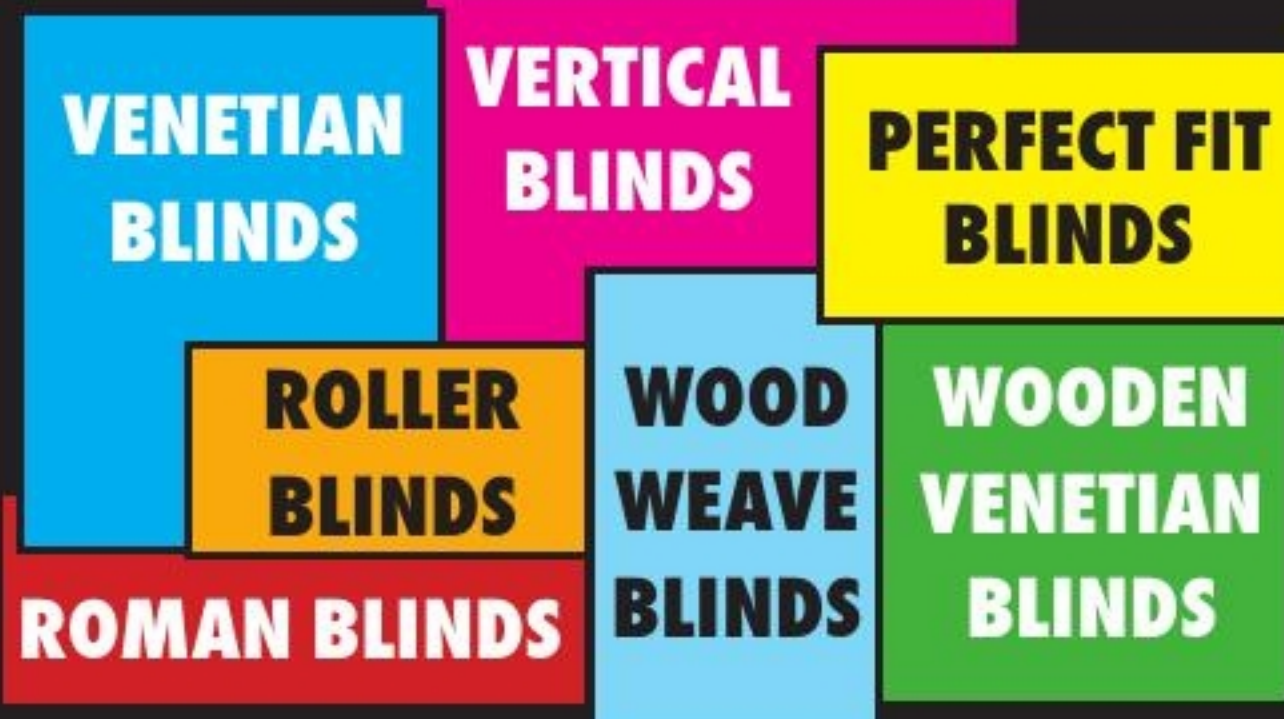
As well as their new material, the duo will also play a range of tracks from their extensive back catalogue, including 'The Cutter' and 'The Killing Moon'.

Doors open for the show at 6pm, and more details can be found at [o2academyoxford.co.uk](http://o2academyoxford.co.uk).

• Echo and the Bunnymen with their band will play at the O2 Academy

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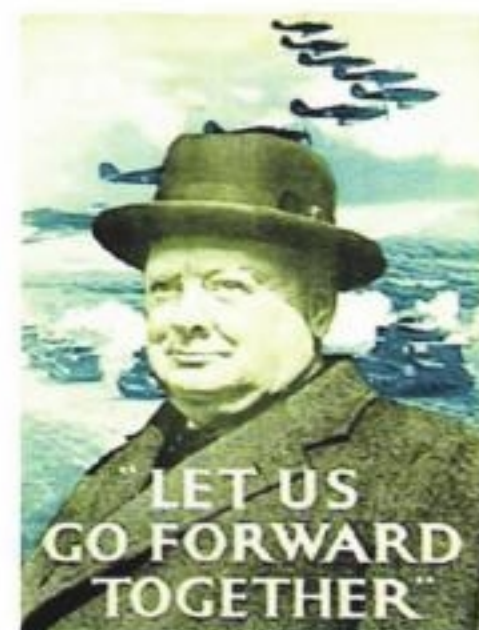
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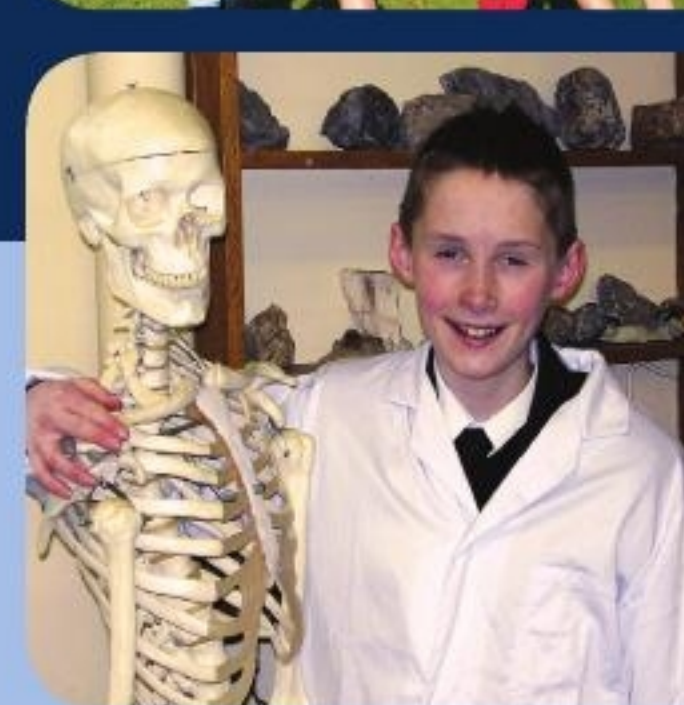


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## Allan on wildlife

AWARD-WINNING wildlife cameraman Doug Allan, known for his work on shows such as 'Blue Planet', 'Ocean Giants' and 'Planet Earth', comes to Henley's Kenton Theatre, on New Street, on Saturday.

Doug comes highly recommended by Sir David Attenborough, and will be talking about his adventures across the world capturing nature on film. Two shows are scheduled, starting at 2.30pm and 7pm.

## Double show

A THEATRE double-bill of The Islanders and On The Beach, both heralding seaside adventure and escapism, comes to the Old Fire Station, on George Street, tomorrow evening.

On The Beach discusses a trip to a British seaside town, while The Islanders is an indie musical about memories, first-loves and growing up. Doors open at 7pm.

# A deserved opportunity

**YORKSHIRE** five-piece math rock band Marmozets bring their latest tour to Oxford on Monday, following on from the release of their newest single 'Why Do You Hate Me?'.

The group are preparing to release their debut album later this year, three years after their formation when the

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have shared stages with Funeral for a Friend, Young Guns and Hyro Da Hero in the last few years.

Marmozets are unique in that the five members are made up of two sets of siblings, and the group are relishing the chance of another headline tour.

"We've been together for years," said

vocalist Becca MacIntyre. "We've sacrificed so much and we deserve this opportunity."

"We're not taking it for granted, this is just the beginning."

"It's been months since we've all played together in the same room because everyone does their parts separately during recording."

"So now we're all back together in band practice, it feels like the best thing ever."

Becca is joined in the band by her brothers Sam on guitar and Josh on drums, alongside guitarist Jack Bottomley and his brother Will on bass.

Their last single 'Move, Shake, Hide' was critically acclaimed, receiving several plays on BBC radio stations, and the band are hoping their album is equally successful.

Sam said: "The album is all about the guitars and they sound amazing."

"But we've experimented a lot too. There's distorted organ parts on one track, for example, as well as weird reverbs and strange synths."

"I really hope that this album allows us to break to the next level."

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### Two speed crossword

#### Quick Clues Across

- 4 Allow (6)
- 8 Transporter (7)
- 9 List of things to be done (6)
- 10 Afflict (9)
- 11 Halt (4)
- 13 Spirited horse (5)
- 14 Long loose overcoats (7)
- 16 Discourse (7)
- 18 Live piece of coal (5)
- 19 Crude metals (4)
- 21 Office of foreign power (9)
- 22 Crown (6)
- 23 Brown coal (7)
- 24 Settle comfortably (6)

#### Quick Clues Down

- 1 Geographical dictionary (9)
- 2 Expectations (9)
- 3 Blood-sucker (5)
- 5 Brink (4)
- 6 Small space of time (6)
- 7 Vagrants (6)
- 9 Coral island (5)
- 11 Pep pill (9)
- 12 Determine one's position (9)
- 15 Besom (5)
- 16 Capital city (6)
- 17 Conifers (6)
- 20 On the move (5)
- 21 Monk's room (4)

#### Cryptic Clues Across

- 4 Separate after the beginning of French leave? (6)
- 8 Ostentatious to mop up spilt soup (7)
- 9 Let man change in the mind (6)
- 10 Dramatic desire for city transport (6-3)
- 11 Was once a vegetable, it's said (4)
- 13 The old Englishman could be right (5)
- 14 Their work is certainly a grind (7)
- 16 Eaten up as ten different titbits (7)
- 18 A Spanish hero's likely to be sharp (5)
- 19 Produce a change of diet (4)
- 21 She'll put her money on an old sailor (9)
- 22 To be fastidious, put out the tin during the day (6)
- 23 Do they haunt the bar? (6)
- 24 Encouraging lays? (6)

#### Cryptic Clues Down

- 1 Foreshadowed an empty decanter? (9)
- 2 Pale plant has appeal (9)
- 3 Appropriate wear at the card table (5)
- 5 First lady has the right - always (4)
- 6 Former Prime Minister emerged from the battle, entirely unruffled (6)
- 7 Gnarled fingers lock among the shades (6)
- 9 Crazy to put the chap in charge (5)
- 11 The songster has the right to put in a dirty bid (9)
- 12 CID are up at the end to wipe out (9)
- 15 Likely to scratch? (5)
- 16 Tout one's wares - on foot? (6)
- 17 First class fish not in prime condition (6)
- 20 Overflow the eastern incline (5)
- 21 Shock could be the finish of 16 across (4)

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### Scribble space

### Last week's solutions

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6	7	1	5	9	3	8	4	2
9	5	4	8	2	1	6	7	3
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#### Quick Crossword

Across: 1 Garden 7 Compere 8 Apparel 9 Looms  
10 Sessional 12 Ton 13 Upon 15 Igneous 17 Earl 19 Net  
21 Attenders 22 Posed 23 Narrate 24 Compete 25 Lentil  
Down: 1 Gladstone 2 Repast 3 Earring 4 Smell 5 Recoup  
6 Hers 7 Clandestine 11 Soil 13 Used 14 Newsreel  
16 Unnerve 18 Resume 20 Tenant 21 Added 22 Pick

#### Cryptic Crossword

Across: 1 Lyrics 7 Marsala 8 Deviate 9 Nylon 10 Barefaced  
12 Ere 13 Bred 15 Advance 17 Dies 19 Ate 21 Moderates 22  
Tutti 23 Slither 24 Console 25 Census  
Down: 1 Ladybird 2 Reverse 3 Chaffed 4 Trend 5 Tailor 6  
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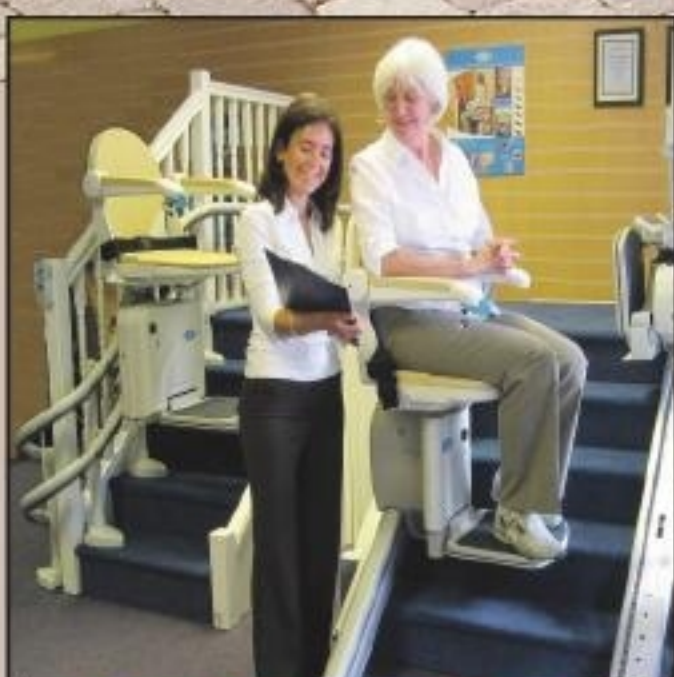


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## One fifth of those polled in South East think condition of roads is 'dangerous' Roads classed as being 'poor'

POTHoles have been top of the agenda following the Government announcement last week that councils could bid for £168million to repair roads.

And a new survey showed drivers needing to repair their vehicles because of pothole damage face an average bill of £165.

The study, by research firm Viewsbank, found 51 per cent of drivers class their local roads as being in a poor condition.

Of those, 14 per cent counted the road conditions as dangerous.

The poll of 2,004 drivers was carried out in February – one month before Chancellor George Osborne announced £200m of the Government's budget would go towards filling in the country's potholes.

David Black, from Viewsbank, said: "It is shocking that nearly two out of three motorists are unhappy about the state of local roads and even more worrying that six per cent of people have had an accident because of potholes.

"The Chancellor has recognised the need to spend on road repairs and has

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committed to increase spending but potholes are clearly still a major issue and motorists believe little is being done to solve the problem."

On average, drivers in south east England classed their local roads as being in the worst condition - 51 per cent rating them poor and 20 per cent considering them dangerous.

Londoners seemed happiest with their local roads, with only 37 per cent counting them as poor.

The area where drivers considered the roads were the safest was north west England with only eight per cent deeming them dangerous.

Last week David Cameron announced that from that £200m allocated in the Budget, local authorities can now apply for a share £168m until May 22.

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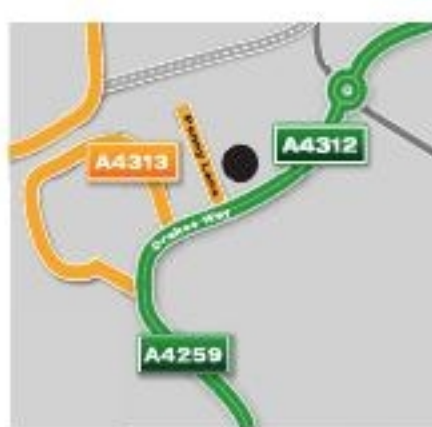
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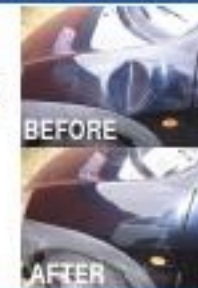
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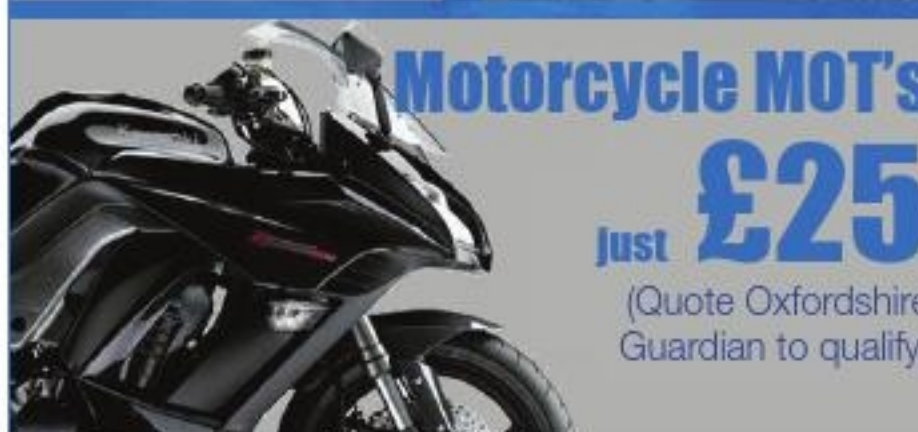
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# Discipline concerns Burnell ahead of semi-final match

JUSTIN Burnell is urging his London Welsh side to improve their discipline ahead of the Greene King IPA Championship semi-finals.

The Exiles incurred a second consecutive red card in their 64-12 win over Nottingham at Old Deer Park last Saturday.

Alec Hepburn was dismissed for a tip-tackle on Dan Montagu, just a week after Richard Thorpe was sent off against Bris-

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tol Rugby.

The situation was worse against Nottingham as Hudson Tonga'uiha was forced off with the Exiles having already used their full complement of replacements, leaving Welsh with just 13 men.

Nick Scott (3), Seb Stegmann

(2), James Tincknell, Nathan Vella, Carl Kirwan and Nathan Trevett all went over for the Exiles in the 10-try victory.

However, head coach Burnell is aware that the Exiles can ill-afford to be down to 14-men when they line-up against Leeds Carnegie in the semi-finals.

"It was a nice way to finish, especially at Old Deer Park," said Burnell.

"Ten tries and a good performance, but discipline once again let us down.

"That's a major concern for me, but that's life you've got to get on with it.

"We've got to learn from that, we've got to keep our 15 players on the field.

"When we've got 15 players on the field, there is no room for anybody to break us.

"That was the disappointing aspect for us and that's our own fault."

Victory over Nottingham ensured Welsh second spot in the table and sets a two-legged semi-final showdown with Leeds.

The first semi-final will be played at Headingley Carnegie on May 11 before the Exiles welcome Leeds to the Kassam Stadium on May 18.



London Welsh 64  
Nottingham 12

• John Quill breaks for the tryline during London Welsh's 64-12 win over Nottingham last Saturday (Picture by Martin John)

## Ross makes return in Welsh's 10-try win

WITH London Welsh's first Greene King IPA Championship semi-final just over a week away, Gordon Ross made a timely return to action to inspire the Exiles to a 64-12 win over Nottingham last Sat-

urday.

The veteran fly-half and assistant coach made his first appearance since February 1 and rolled back the years as the Exiles stormed to a 10-try victory.

A delightful line break from Ross set up James Tincknell for the Exiles' second try, while the 36-year-old also kicked 12 points.

Ross said: "I've had a few a few months off so I'm pretty fresh.

"It was good, but you've got to credit the team and I'm thankful to Justin (Burnell) and Ollie (Smith) for picking me for once. I've picked myself for the last 12 weeks, but they've not picked me once."

For Ross, it was an important win after the Exiles' narrow defeat to Bristol Rugby at the Memorial Stadium the previous weekend.

"We played some good rugby at times," he added.

"We maybe forced the odd offload which gave Nottingham the chance to recover, but it was important to get the win and that should hopefully give us the confidence to go and play with the ball in hand."

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# Waddock promises to transform United

HEAD coach Gary Waddock branded Oxford United's 2-1 defeat at home to Accrington Stanley as "unacceptable" as the U's missed out on a place in Sky Bet League Two's play-offs.

United are now seven points behind Southend United, who occupy the last spot, with one game remaining.

Despite Ryan Williams' second half goal, Kayode Odejayi and James Gray had already done the damage for Stanley, a win that confirmed Football League status for James Beattie's side.

Waddock is now promising changes after a disappointing end to his side's home campaign.

"There was a real lack of hunger and desire," he said.

"It was our final home game of the season, and I wanted to give our supporters something to go into the close season with.

"They've certainly gone into the close season with something, but it wasn't a Gary Waddock team.

"That is not the type of team

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that I will put together, not the type of team that I will build here, it will be completely opposite."

He added: "It will be a team that will play with hunger and desire, play with some enthusiasm, run and work for one another, that didn't happen, and it's only happened once since I've been here, at the Plymouth game.

"Now I've got a period of time to change it. I've looked at it, I've seen it, I know what needs to happen and it will."

Accrington took the lead on 18 minutes when Odejayi netted after Ryan Clarke had initially denied Gray, who doubled Stanley's lead early in the second half.

Williams gave United hope when he beat Marcus Bettinelli on 67 minutes, but Waddock's side were unable to push for an equaliser.

United's head coach added: "There was no push from the



first whistle to the last whistle, in my opinion, and I genuinely feel for everyone here.

"I said to the players they had a wonderful opportunity this season, with the start they had, to go into the play-offs or gain promotion and for whatever reason it's

dwindled away.

"It will be addressed, make no mistake about that, because that's not the type of team that we want playing for this club."

United will be looking to restore some pride when they make the short trip to relegation-

threatened Northampton Town on Saturday for their last game of the season.

• Ryan Williams takes on Piero Mingoa during Saturday's match (Picture by Steve Daniels)

## More points for Smith as strong form continues in Argentina GP

BRADLEY Smith's competitive start to the MotoGP season continued last Sunday, as the Oxford-born rider finished seventh in the Argentinian Grand Prix.

Smith made a slow start as he dropped back two spots to ninth off the grid, but was quickly able to overtake teammate Pol Espargaro to move up a place.

He spent much of the race chasing the Ducati of Andrea Dovizioso, and was able to close the gap and overtake the Italian rider to move back into seventh.

It means that Smith is now ninth in the MotoGP standings with 20 points after three races, with the championship moving on to the Spanish circuit of Jerez this weekend.

He is 55 points behind race winner and championship leader Marc Marquez after the opening rounds.

"It was a tough challenge, but overall I am pleased to once again finish with a decent position," said Smith.

"My pace at the end was exactly where it needed to be, but as usual I struggled during the first half of the race when the bike is on a full fuel load."

"Altogether the team and I are doing a really good job, but we just need to find that missing piece for Jerez, where we can hopefully make amends."



## Plato hoping for big points at Thruxton

JASON Plato will be hoping for a repeat of his Donington performance at Thruxton this weekend, in the third round of the British Touring Car Championship (BTCC).

Plato picked up a win and a second place last time out at Donington, and is currently joint-top of the standings alongside reigning BTCC champion Andrew Jordan.

The Oxford-based driver endured a tough weekend at Thruxton last year, when a puncture robbed him of a seemingly certain victory.

"Donington was full of positives, but the job isn't done yet," said Plato.

"We still have little niggles to iron out, but the front aero changes and some other little development bits we've worked on should benefit us this weekend."

"We were quick at Thruxton last year and I'm looking forward to going there and coming away with another bag of big points - that's our plan."

The series heads for its spring race following this weekend, with the drivers next in action at Cheshire's Oulton Park track on June 8.

• Jason Plato led the way at Donington Park (Picture courtesy of btcc.net)

## Clarke bemoans poor end of season form

OXFORD United stopper Ryan Clarke was delighted to pick up two awards last Saturday, but says he would willingly swap them for a play-off place.

Clarke (right) scooped the Andrew Knapp Supporters Player of the Year and Players' Player of the Year awards.

However, United's 2-1 defeat to Accrington ended their faint hopes of making Sky Bet League Two's play-offs.

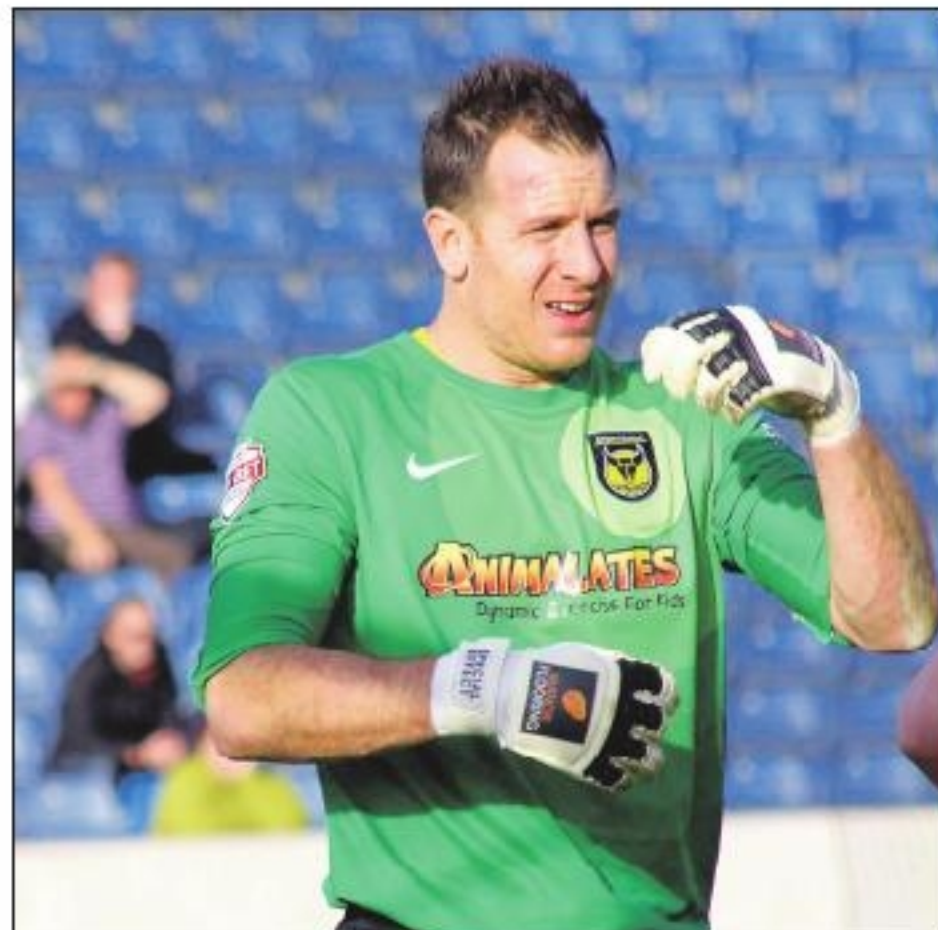
The 32-year-old said: "It's nice to get a couple of awards, but I would rather have had an iffy season and we were in the play-offs. It's a rubbish end to the season for us."

United have recorded only one win in their last seven, and Clarke believes the slump in form is down to a number of factors.

"We have all had our own opinions in the changing room and I think we have all taken a backward step," he said.

"Maybe is to do with a little bit of confidence because we're on a bit of a bad run, that's only natural."

"But at the same time I think we have got enough experience to look above that and grind out results, but we just haven't done that in the second half of the season."



## Sport Bites

### One over par for Pepperell

EDDIE Pepperell made his first cut since January at the weekend, on his way to finishing in a tie for 57th at the Volvo China Open.

Rounds of 70, 72, 75 and 72 meant Pepperell finished the tournament on one over par, 20 shots behind winner Alexander Levy.

He is currently 165th in the European Tour rankings, having won a total of €21,750 so far this season.

### Hawks end with a draw

HENLEY Hawks ended their SSE National League 1 season with a draw on Saturday, finishing their match away to Tynedale with a 14-14 scoreline.

Chinnor's season also came to an end at the weekend, and they beat Exmouth at home 32-12 in the SSE National League 2 South.

It means that Hawks finish 14th with 61 points in their league, while Chinnor end the season 13th with a total of 65 points.

### Ladies lose three in a row

OXFORD United Ladies lost their third game in succession on Sunday, as they were beaten 1-0 by Yeovil at Abingdon's Northcourt Road ground.

The U's had dominated for much of the match, but were unable to grab a goal and Yeovil were able to take the lead with less than 10 minutes remaining.

They are bottom of the Women's Super League 2 table after three games, having scored just one goal so far this season.

### City farewell for Basham and Willmott

OXFORD City ended a difficult Skrill North campaign with a 1-1 draw at home to Bradford Park Avenue at Marsh Lane last Saturday.

Zach McEachran opened the scoring for City on 18 minutes but Richard Marshall's penalty with 10 minutes remaining denied Mike Ford's side the win.

The draw saw City finish third from bottom in the league table, avoiding the drop due to Vauxhall Motors' voluntary relegation.

Last Saturday's match will be most remembered as Steve Basham and Chris Willmott's swansong.

The former Oxford United pair, both aged 36, have announced their retirement and were a part of City's promotion-winning side of 2012.

However, Basham was unable to add to his 31 goals in 66 appearances last Saturday as he missed a penalty during the 1-1 draw.



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# ABINGDON HOPE TO AVOID DROP

**Zoldan is set to stay if United remain in the Hellenic Premier league**

ABINGDON United boss Andy Zoldan says he and his managerial staff will stay on at the club if they remain in the Hellenic Premier Division for next season.

United finished 17th in the league table after Zoldan took over from Paul Noble in November, with the club second from bottom with only nine points.

Zoldan remains optimistic that United will avoid relegation to Division One East, while he and assistants Andy Wallbridge and Ellis Langford, will continue to plan for next season in the Hellenic Premier Division.

However, United will have to wait until the Hellenic's AGM in June before they learn their fate.

Zoldan said: "The meeting with the chairman (Debbie Blackmore) went really well and we have decided to stay on next season, but under the caveat that we're in the Premier.

"It will not be until June that we can officially say we are staying because at the moment it all hinges on that."

Holyport, Newbury and Abingdon Town are all below United in the table, and Zoldan is optimistic of staying up as, histori-

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cally, four teams have never been relegated.

United's 1-0 win over Town on Easter Monday confirmed they would finish no lower than 17th.

"That's the good thing about us finishing fourth bottom," Zoldan added.

"As long as we stay in the league that's the most important thing to us."

"Hopefully things will work out that we do stay in the Premier and it now gives us a chance to put our heads together and start planning straight away.

"As far as the chairman was concerned, she didn't think that fourth bottom was possible, because of the points that we had, so to finish there is a great achievement by the lads."

He added: "Everybody is happy, and chuffed to bits."

"They said they didn't think it was possible, but we managed to get players in,

"The lads that were here already responded really well so it's been a good finish to the season for us."



**Competitive race for Smith**

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